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ATHENS, GREECE, SEPT. 16 (AP)-SOVIET COSMONAUT ALEXEI LEONOV
DISCLOSED TODAY THAT RUSSIA PLANS TO PLACE A PERMANENT MANNED
SATELLITE AROUND THE EARTH AND TRY CREW EXCHANGES BEFORE LANDING
A MAN ON THE MOON.
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Comment: This fits with other statements that have come out of the Soviet Union. The project itself is within Soviet capabilities over the next couple of years.

These comments represent the initial and tentative reaction of the Office of Current Intelligence to the attached item from the news services.

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